

FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY

Big Rapids 49307



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Ferris State University provides practical applied education to produce graduates who are immediately employable in their chosen fields. The University offers more than 120 academic programs through its Colleges of Allied Health Sciences, Arts and Sciences, Business, Education and Human Services, Michigan College of Optometry, Pharmacy and Technology.

Ferris offers **doctorates in optometry and pharmacy**, and master's degrees in computer information systems management, career and technical education, and criminal justice. Baccalaureate degrees are offered in allied health, business, teacher education, and a variety of specialized technical fields. Technical 2-year programs produce well-trained graduates in health care, science, industrial specialties, and engineering-related technician posts. In addition, 2-year general education and preprofessional courses qualify students for continued study at Ferris or elsewhere.

University College offers programs including Honors, Career Exploration, and Collegiate Skills and Directed Studies. Services are provided through Educational and Career Counseling, an Academic Support Center, a Special-Needs Counselor, Structured Learning Assistance and Freshmen Seminars.

The **campus** is located on the southern edge of Big Rapids, a city of approximately 12,000. The physical plant of more than 90 buildings includes only one structure that predates a 1950 fire which destroyed the former buildings. Approximately 8,800 students attend classes on the university's 880-acre campus; another 1,100 attend classes at off-campus sites. The new **Ferris State University Library for Information, Technology and Education (FLITE)** provides students with state-of-the-art information technology, as well as all the resources of a more traditional library. In 1998, Ferris opened the National Elastomer Center for Plastics and Rubber Technology. Other recently completed construction includes a new sports stadium, an extensively renovated Student Recreation Center, and a new Professional Golf Management Learning Center.

The **Applied Technology Center** in Grand Rapids, a decade-old joint venture with Grand Rapids Community College, houses undergraduate programs and extensive business and community-based training. The ATC is part of FSU-Grand Rapids, a "3-in-1" downtown campus with classes at the ATC, University Center and Kendall College of Art and Design, which merged with the University January 1, 2001.

Ferris is named for its founder, **Woodbridge N. Ferris** (1853-1928), a distinguished Michigan politician and educator, who served two terms as the state's governor and was elected to the United States Senate. Started in 1884 as the Big Rapids Industrial School, the name was soon changed to Ferris Industrial School and then, in 1899, to Ferris Institute. The school's name was changed to Ferris State College in 1963, and to Ferris State University in 1987. W.N. Ferris operated the school as a privately owned institution. In 1931, a group of Big Rapids businessmen assumed operation as a nonprofit corporation until 1949 when the school was given to the State of Michigan. Ferris Institute became a state institution on July 1, 1950.

Credit Enrollment (fall head count)	1998	1999	2000
On-campus	8,458	8,541	8,782
Off-campus	1,193	1,127	1,065

STATEMENT OF OPERATING REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES

Operating Revenues (all funds)	1998-1999	1999-2000
State Appropriations — Operating	\$ 50,606,955	\$ 53,110,899
State Appropriations — Capital Projects	1,456,753	13,497,482
Student Fees	40,498,237	42,063,228
Gifts, Grants, and Federal Contracts ¹	18,669,203	27,014,756
Other Income ²	43,330,801	45,903,041
TOTAL REVENUES	\$154,561,949	\$181,589,406
Operating Expenditures (all funds)		
Instruction and Departmental Research ³	\$ 46,622,859	\$ 48,838,483
Organized Research/Grant Research ⁴	15,336	49,291
Public Service	718,347	453,661
Student Services and Student Aid ⁵	20,491,648	23,731,730
Other Expenditures ⁶	79,580,419	82,080,107
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$147,428,609	\$155,153,272

From Combined Statements of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balance

¹ Federal Grants, State Grants, and Private Gifts, etc.

² All other income

³ Instruction plus Research minus Organized Research

⁴ Expendable Restricted Fund Research (From Statement of Current Funds)

⁵ Student Services plus Student Aid

⁶ All other expenses